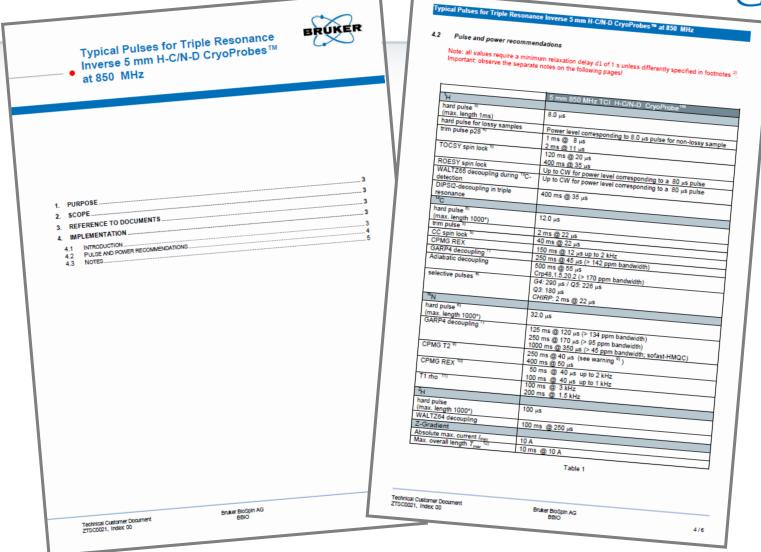
RF power handling and more





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What does "power handling" mean?

- 1. rf pulse deposit energy (heat) in the rf circuit and rf coils
- 2. Long pulses trains deposit more heat
- 3. Examples for long pulse trains:
 - CPD decoupling
 - Long CW irradiation: $T_1\rho$ experiments
 - Long CPMG sequence: T₂, REX

What might happen?

- 1. If deposited energy exceed specifications:
 - Excessive sample heating
 - Detuning of the rf circuit
 - Pulse width change: longer pulses which are difficult to control
 - Poor quality spectra



Will the CryoProbe be destroyed?

- 1. Power check of Topspin: ensures that the pulse voltage is not exceeded
 - Too high voltage WILL destroy the probe
 - Applying long pulses just close below the voltage limit are critical

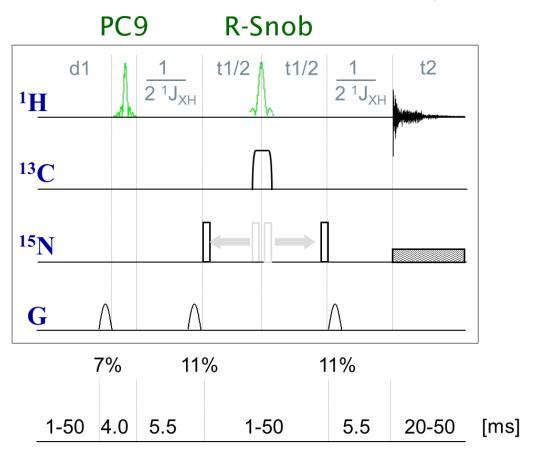


Are there also be specifications for the allowed gradient power?

- 1. Yes
- 2. Why?
 - DC current is applied to a coil
 - The gradient coil behaves like a heating coil
 - DC current applied to long = long intense gradient pulses will overheat the wired
 - Wires will burn

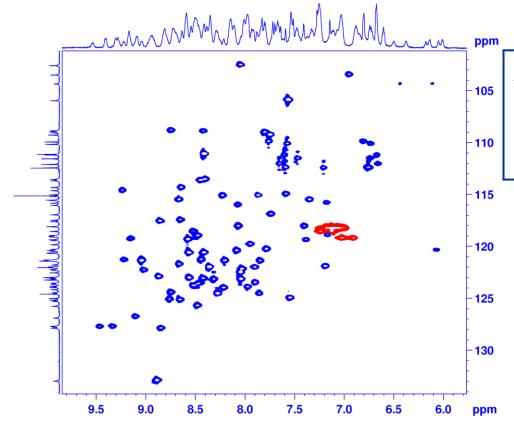


Sofast-HMQC





Sofast-HMQC 1mM Ubiquitin (¹³C/¹⁵N) in 90% H2O / 10% D2O **50** seconds acquisition time!



Acquisition Parameter:

AQ: 42 ms

D1: 8 ms

¹⁵N decoupling: γB₁of 892 Hz

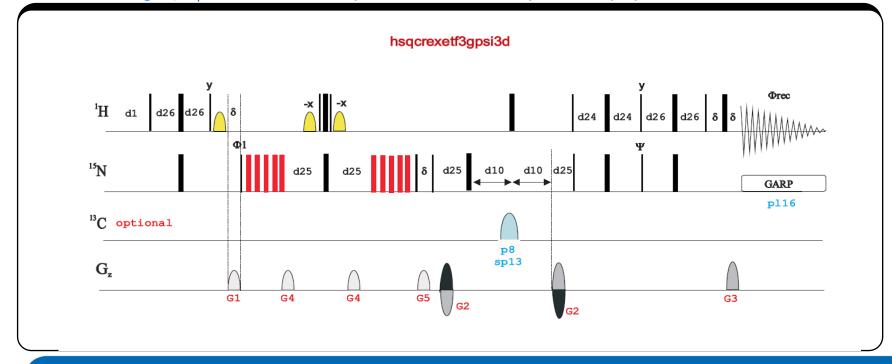


¹⁵N-CPMG for relaxation dispersion experiment:

- 1. Duration (mixing time) is constant
- 2. Number of ¹⁵N pulses is varied in order to change the effective γB₁ field

Challenge:

- 1. Short ¹⁵N pulses to avoid off-resonance effects
- 2. High γB₁ field to allow experiment on small proteins/peptides





| | 5 mm 850 MHz TCI H-C/N-D CryoProbe TM |
|--|--|
| ¹ H | |
| hard pulse ³⁾ | 8.0 μs |
| (max. length 1ms) | |
| hard pulse for lossy samples | Power level corresponding to 8.0 μs pulse for non-lossy sample |
| trim pulse p28 4) | 1 ms @ 8 μs |
| | 2 ms @ 11 μs |
| TOCSY spin lock 5) | 120 ms @ 20 μs |
| | 400 ms @ 35 μs |
| ROESY spin lock | Up to CW for power level corresponding to a 80 μs pulse |
| WALTZ65 decoupling during ¹³ C- | Up to CW for power level corresponding to a 80 μs pulse |
| detection | |
| DIPSI2-decoupling in triple | 400 ms @ 35 μs |
| resonance | |

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| ¹ H | | |
| ¹³ C | | |
| hard pulse ⁶⁾ | 12.0 μs | |
| (max. length 1000°) | | |
| trim pulse 5) | 2 ms @ 22 μs | |
| CC spin lock 5) | 40 ms @ 22 μs | |
| CPMG REX | 150 ms @ 12 μs up to 2 kHz | |
| GARP4 decoupling (1) | 250 ms @ 45 μs (> 142 ppm bandwidth) | |
| Adiabatic decoupling | 500 ms @ 55 μs | |
| | Crp48,1.5,20.2 (> 170 ppm bandwidth) | |
| selective pulses ⁸⁾ G4: 290 μs / Q5: 226 μs | | |
| | Q3: 180 μs | |
| | CHIRP: 2 ms @ 22 μs | |

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| H | | |
| ¹³ C | | |
| ¹⁵ N | | |
| hard pulse ⁶⁾ (max. length 1000°) | 32.0 μs | |
| GARP4 decoupling 7) | 125 ms @ 120 μs (> 134 ppm bandwidth) 250 ms @ 170 μs (> 95 ppm bandwidth) 1000 ms @ 350 μs (> 45 ppm bandwidth; sofast-HMQC) | |
| CPMG T2 ⁹⁾ | 250 ms @ 40 μs (see warning ⁹⁾) 400 ms @ 50 μs | |
| CPMG REX 10) | 50 ms @ 40 μs up to 2 kHz 100 ms @ 40 μs up to 1 kHz | |
| T1 rho ¹¹⁾ | 100 ms @ 3 kHz 200 ms @ 1.5 kHz | |

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Gradient pulses



| Z-Gradient | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Absolute max. current 10) | 10 A | 10 A |
| Max.overall length 11) | 10 ms @ 10 A | 10 ms @ 10 A |

Note: some pulse sequences might have more gradients than you expect!

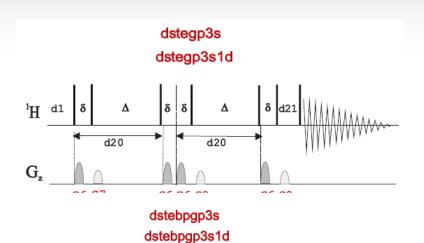
Experiment with bipolar gradients used for diffusion/DOSY experiments

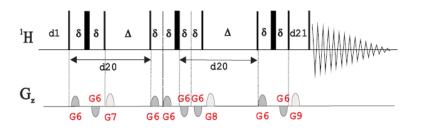
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Gradient pulses DOSY

Double STimulated Echo (DSTE) for convection compensation







- LED also
- 3 spoil gradients
- 4 diffusion gradients

- same, but with bipolar gradients:
- LED and 3 spoil gradients (G7, G8, G9)
- bipolar gradients for diffusion (G6), makes 8 diffusion gradients!!!

NOTE: gradient limitation for CryoProbes: maximum 10ms@10A

example 1. SMSQ10.100 gradients with 2ms length, 100%: 5 \times 2ms =10ms

example 2. SINE.100 gradients with 2ms length, 100%: 8 x 2ms x 0.67 = 10.72ms

because the area of a sine curve is 67% of the area of a square